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SUBJECT: MONGOLIAN AMBASSADOR CHARGES PRC INTERFERENCE IN MONGOLIAN INTERNAL AFFAIRS

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1. MONGOLIAN AMBASSADOR BUYANTYN DASHTSEREN AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN NEW DELHI APRIL 17 ACCUSED THE PRC OF INTERFERING IN MONGOLIA'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS BY DEMANDING THE WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM MONGOLIA. HIS GOVERNMENT HAD SENT A PROTEST NOTE TO THE PRC APRIL 12, HE SAID. DASHTSEREN CALLED THE DEMAND A "GROSS INTERFERENCE" IN MONGOLIA'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS WHICH HAD BEEN MADE "OVER THE HEAD"OF THE MONGOLIAN GOVERNMENT AND "CANNOT BUT BE VIEWED AS AN ATTEMPT TO DISREGARD THE MONGOLIAN UNCLASSIFIED

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PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AS AN INDEPENDENT STATE." HE ACCUSED THE CHINESE LEADERS OF CONTINUING TO CONSIDER MONGOLIA AS PART OF CHINA AND OF FOLLOWING A COURSE OF AGGRAVATING MONGOLIAN-CHINESE RELATIONS. DASHTSEREN DESCRIBED THESE RELATIONS AS "VERY UNSATISFACTORY" BECAUSE OF THE NEGATIVE APPROACH OF THE PRC AND ITS UNRESPONSIVENESS TO MONGOLIAN EFFORTS TO RESTORE GOOD

NEIGHBORLY TIES.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, DASHTSEREN SAID THAT IN RECENT YEARS CHINA HAD INTENSIFIED ITS" WARLIKE ACTIVITIES" ALONG MONGOLIA'S BORDERS, INCLUDING MASSIVE TROOPS CONCENTRATIONS AND CONSTRUCTION OF MILITARY INSTALLATIONS. HE REPORTEDLY EXPLAINED THAT SOVIET TROOPS WERE STATIONED IN MONGOLIA AT THE REQUEST OF THE GOVERNMENT AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE MONGOLIAN-SOVIET TREATY. IF CHINA ABANDONED ITS POLICY OF ANNEXATION AND EMBARKED ON A PATH OF GOOD NEIGHBORLINESS, HE SAID, THE NEED FOR MAINTAINING THE

TROOPS WOULD DISAPPEAR. DASHTSEREN WELCOMED THE

SOVIET INITIATIVE TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH CHINA AND

SAID HE WAS DISAPPOINTED BY THE SOVIET REPLY. GOHEEN

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